



Ida Mae Young

Ida Mae Young, a life-long resident of Casa Grande, passed away peacefully at home on April 12, 2021.

Ida "Mae", was born Ida Mae Fincher, in Denton, Texas on September 24, 1930 to parents, Walter and Tennie Fincher. Mae was born the 7th eldest of 11 children.

In March of 1949, Mae married Barney "Lee" Helton. They had two children, Lea "Lanette" and "Gary" Dale, each preceding Mae in death. Lee was killed in a work related accident in 1955. Lanette joined her daddy in 2006 and Gary joined both of them in 2017.

On April 18, 1957, Mae married Charley Young, also a resident of Casa Grande. They have one son, Dennis Young, also of Casa Grande.

Mae was employed as a caregiver for over 30 years for the State of Arizona, Division of Developmental Disabilities. She provided habilitation, home care, personal care, non-emergency transportation, respite and day care services to those with disabilities of all ages. It was her passion to care for others and she was the best at it. Mae was recognized countless times by the State for her dedication, incredible ability and compassion to care for others.

Even after her long career as a caregiver, Mae continued to care for the elderly, family and friends. She is a true angel and woman of God. We are grateful to the Lord Jesus Christ, for the blessing to have known and loved her and to have been loved by her.

Mae is survived by her husband of nearly 64 years, Charley Young; son, Dennis and wife, Jennifer; sister, Alma and brother-in-law, Joe Helton of Casa Grande; sister-in-law, Norma Helton of San Simon, AZ; her cousin and best friend, Lella Mae Wells of Liberty, MO; 10 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews, cousins and extended family and friends; and two very special ladies in Mae's life for many years, Alicia Perez and Delia De La Vega, both of Casa Grande.

Mae was one of the family's matriarchs and enjoyed countless celebrations at her home. It was Mae's wish that she be surrounded by those she loved after her passing. In honor of her wish, the family has planned a celebration of her life this September in Casa Grande to allow family and friends to come together and rejoice. Plans will be announced in the very near future.